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Articles of Agreement and Covenant indented, made, concluded
and agreed upon at Plattsburgh in the County of Clinton & State of
New York the nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred & thirty two, between William
Beaumont, Surgeon, in the Army of the United States of
America, of the one part, and Alexis St. Martin Sobouee,
of Bathurst in the Province of Lower Canada, of the other part
as follows, to wit, - The said Alexis St. Martin for the con-
sideration herein mentioned doth covenant promise and
agree to and with the said William Beaumont his executors
administrators and assigns by these presents in manner
following, that is to say, that he the said Alexis Shall, & will
for and during the full term of one year to begin and be ac-
counted from the date of these presents, serve, abide and
continue with the said William Beaumont where ever he
shall go or travel or reside in any part of the world his cov-
enant Servant and diligently & faithfully & according to the
utmost of his power Skill & Knowledge, exercise & employ
himself in and do & perform such service & business matters
& things whatsoever as the said William shall from time to
time order direct and appoint to and for the most profit &
advantage of the said William and likewise be just and true
& faithful to the said William in all things & in all respects.
And the said Alexis for the consideration hereinafter mentioned
further specially covenants & agrees with said William that he
the said Alexis will at all times during said term when
thereto directed or required by said William, submit to assist
& promote by all means in his power such Philosophical
or medical experiments as the said William shall direct or
cause to be made on or in the Stomach of him the said
Alexis either through & by means of the aperture or opening
thereto in the side of him the said Alexis or otherwise & will
obey suffer & comply with all reasonable & proper orders of
or experiments of the said William in relation thereto and
in relation to the exhibiting & showing of his said Stomach
and the powers and properties thereof & of the appurtenances
& the powers properties & situation & state of the contents thereof.

It being intended & understood both by said William & said Alexis that the facilities & means afforded by the wound of the said Alexis in his side & stomach shall be reasonably & properly used & exhibited at all times upon the request or direction of said William for the purposes of science & scientific improvement the furtherance of knowledge in regard to the power properties & capacity of the human stomach -

And in consideration of the premises & of the several matters & things by the said Alexis to be performed suffered or done as aforesaid according to the true intent & meaning of the premises & on condition that the said Alexis shall & does perform the same on his part according to the true intent & meaning thereof & not otherwise the said William Beaumont doth for himself his executors administrators covenant promise & agree to and with the said Alexis by these presents that the said William shall & will at all times during said time find and provide unto and for the said Alexis good suitable & sufficient meat drink washing lodging & wearing apparel & in sickness good proper & suitable medicine & medical attendance & nursing and also well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Alexis his executors or administrators the just & full sum of one hundred & fifty dollars lawful money of the United States of America in manner following to wit, the sum of forty dollars parcel thereof to be paid to said Alexis at or within one day after the execution of these presents & the residue thereof being one hundred and ten dollars to be paid on personal application to said William his executors or administrators at the expiration of the said term which will be one year from the date hereof -

In witness whereof as well the said William Beaumont as the said Alexis St. Martin have hereunto set their respective hands & seals the day & year first herein written in the presence of each other & of the subscribing witnesses hereto & in the presence of Jonathan Douglass Woodward Esquire the subscribing notary Public -

J. Douglas Woodward

Thomas Green -

Burj. J. Moore

Wm Beaumont -

his
Alexis St. Martin
marks



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United States of America

State of New York

Clinton County ss. I the Subscriber a Notary Public in and for said State duly Commissioned and sworn and authorized in all respects to act as such Notary Public do hereby Certify and attest that the said William Beaumont and Alexis St. Martin who are both personally known to me, executed signed sealed and delivered the above instrument in writing in my presence, and in the presence of each other & in the presence of the above named subscribing Witnesses who also subscribed their names as Witnesses to the due execution of said instrument in my presence, & the presence of each other, and also in the presence of both of said parties. In testimony whereof & for the due manifestation whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal of office as Notary Public at Plattsburg aforesaid this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty two.

J Douglas Woodward
Notary Public



Rec^d on the above contract forty dollars being the amount advanced on the
above by William Beaumont.

his
Alexis X St. Martin
marks

Witness J Douglas Woodward
Notary Public

Rec^d on the above, forty dollars April 23rd 1833

Wm. L. Green

Alexis X St. Martin
mark

Rec^d November 7th 1833. Sixty Seven dollars on
the above contract -

his
Alexis X St. Martin
mark

Witness
S. Beaumont

In witness whereof as well the said William Beaumont
as the said Alexis St. Martin have hereunto set their respective
hands & seals the day and year first herein written in the
presence of each other & of the subscribing witnesses hereof
and in the presence of

S. Beaumont

J. Douglas Woodward

Cyrus Bunk

{ Alexis St. Martin
mark

} My Beaumont

United States of America
State of New York.

Clinton County ss. I the Subscriber a Notary Public in and for
said State duly Commissioned and sworn and authorized in all respects
to act as such Notary Public do hereby Certify and attest that the
William Beaumont and Alexis St. Martin who are both personally
known to me, executed, signed, sealed and delivered the
above instrument in writing in my presence and in the presence
of each other, & in the presence of the above named subscribing
witnesses, who also subscribed their names as witnesses to the
due execution of said instrument in my presence, & in the presence
of each other and also in the presence of both of said parties.

In witness & testimony whereof & for the due manifestation
whereof I have hereunto signed my name and
affixed my Seal of Office as Notary Public at Plattsburgh
aforesaid this seventh day of November in the year of our
Lord one thousand Eight hundred & thirty three.

J. Douglas Woodward
Notary Public



I hereby acknowledge to have received of
Dr. Wm Beaumont! Surgⁿ U.S.A. One hun-
dred and twenty dollars on che with
in agreement. New York.

May 19. 1834

Alexis^{his} St Martin
mark

me

Alexis St Martin
Contract. 1 Dec.
1833. for 2 yrs

Left me & went to
Canada. 19. May 1834
& never returned till

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ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN DR. BEAUMONT
AND ALEXIS ST. MARTIN MADE OCT. 16, 1832.
IN THIS ALEXIS AGREED TO SUBMIT TO THE
EXPERIMENTS OF BEAUMONT UNDER CONDITIONS
FULLY SET FORTH.

Articles of Agreement and Covenant indentured made, concluded
and agreed upon at Plattsburgh in the County of Clinton & State of
New York the Seventh day of November in the year of our Lord, one
thousand eight hundred and thirty three, between William Beaum-
mont, Surgeon, in the Army of the United States of America, of
the one part, and Alexis St Martin, Labourer, of Berthier in the
Province of Lower Canada, of the other part, as follows, to wit,

The said Alexis St Martin, for the consideration herein
mentioned, doth Covenant, promise and agree to and with the
said William Beaumont, his heirs, executors, administrators
and assigns by these presents in manner following, that is to say,
that he the said Alexis, shall & will for and during the full term of
two years to begin & be accounted from the first day of December next
serve, abide, and continue with the said William Beaumont,
wherever he shall go, or travel, or reside in any part of the world
as his covenant Servant and diligently and faithfully and according
to the utmost of his power Skill & Knowledge, exercise and employ
himself in and do and perform such service, & business matters &
things whatsoever as the said William, shall from time to time
order, direct and appoint to and for the most profit and advantage
of the said William, and likewise be just and true and faithful
to the said William in all things and in all respects-

And the said Alexis for the consideration herein after
mentioned, further specially covenants & agrees with said Will-
iam that he the said Alexis will at all times during said term
when thereto directed or required by said William, submit to,
assist and promote by all means in his power, such Physiological
or Medical experiments as the said William shall direct or
cause to be made on or in the Stomach of him the said Alexis
either through or by means of the aperture or opening thereto in
the Side of him the said Alexis or otherwise, and will obey
suffer & comply with all reasonable and proper orders or experiments
of the said William in relation thereto, and in relation to the
exhibiting & presenting of his said Stomach, and the powers and
properties thereof, & of the appurtenances, & the powers, properties, situation
and state of the contents & interior appearances & conditions

It being intended and understood both by said William & said Alexis that the facilities & means afforded by the wound of the said Alexis in his side & stomach shall ^{be} reasonably & properly used & exhibited at all times upon the request or direction of said William for the purposes of science & scientific improvement, the furtherance of knowledge in regard to the power, properties & capacity of the human stomach.

And in consideration of the premises & of the several matters & things by the said Alexis to be performed, suffered and done as aforesaid according to the true intent and meaning of the premises & on condition that the said Alexis shall and does perform the same on his part, according to the true intent & meaning thereof & not otherwise, the said William Beaumont doth for himself, his heirs, executors & administrators covenant, promise and agree to and with the said Alexis by these presents that the said William shall & will at all times during said term find and provide unto and for the said Alexis suitable, convenient & comfortable rooms or house, when with & in the service of the said William, and also defray the necessary expenses, & furnish the said Alexis good suitable & sufficient subsistence, washing, lodging and wearing apparel when journeying with & at the request & directions of the said William. And also well and truly pay, or cause to be paid unto the said Alexis his executors or administrators the just and full sum of four hundred dollars lawfull money of the United States of America in Manner following, to wit - the sum of One hundred dollars parcel thereof to be paid to said Alexis, at or within the term of six months from the first day of December next. One hundred dollars, part & parcel thereof, on the first day of January, Eighteen hundred & thirty five, and the residue thereof being Two hundred dollars to be paid on personal application to said William, his executors or administrators at the expiration of the said term, which will be two years from the first day of December next. Provided this agreement be not sooner canceled by the mutual consent of both parties.